

MEMORANDUM

Date: 2/27/91

TO: SAC, [redacted]  
FROM: SSA [redacted]  
SUBJECT: Authorization to Open and Assign  
Below-Listed Case

OPEN A CASE

CLASS: 89 ALPHA: A CASE SQUAD: 6 OO: MP

ASSIGNED TO: [redacted] STATUS: R

TITLE: UNSUB;  
SENATOR PAUL WELLSTONE - VICTIM;  
AFO (A)

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CASE TYPE: (C)ONTROL / (D)ECLINATION / (R)ECORD CHECK / (Z)ERO  
(BLANK IF INVESTIGATIVE)  
OR ADMINISTRATIVE

THREAT 2/25/91 AT WASHINGTON, D.C.

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2/27/91  
CWP [redacted]

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TRANSMIT VIA:

- Teletype
- Facsimile
- AIRTEL

PRECEDENCE:

- Immediate
- Priority
- Routine

CLASSIFICATION:

- TOP SECRET
- SECRET
- CONFIDENTIAL
- UNCLAS E F T O
- UNCLAS

Date 2/27/91

FM FBI MINNEAPOLIS (89A-MP-32717) (P)

TO DIRECTOR FBI/IMMEDIATE/

FBI WMFO (89A-MP-32717)/ROUTINE/

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CITE: //3480//

PASS: VIOLENT CRIMES SECTION.

SUBJECT: UNSUB; SENATOR PAUL WELLSTONE - VICTIM; AFO(A); OO: MINNEAPOLIS.

ON FEBRUARY 27, 1991, DETECTIVE  UNITED STATES CAPITOL POLICE, WASHINGTON, D.C., PROVIDED THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

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ON FEBRUARY 26, 1991, MS.  RECEPTIONIST, SENATOR WELLSTONE'S CAPITOL HILL OFFICE (SH-123, 4-5641), PROVIDED THE CAPITOL HILL POLICE DEPARTMENT WITH THREE RECORDED MESSAGES RECEIVED ON THE OFFICE "VOICE MAIL". THE MESSAGES WERE

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Approved: *fff/cnd* Original filename: *bjm003W.058*

Time Received: \_\_\_\_\_ Telprep filename: *bjm00350.058*

MRI/JULIAN DATE: *1459/058* ISN: *805*

FOX DATE & TIME OF ACCEPTANCE: *2001* *75 2-28*  
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RECEIVED AFTER 1800 HOURS, ON FEBRUARY 25, 1991, AND WERE IN REFERENCE TO A RADIO INTERVIEW AIRED ON WCCO RADIO IN MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA, AT APPROXIMATELY 1940 HOURS EASTERN STANDARD TIME. THE UNIDENTIFIED MALE CALLER STATED, (MESSAGE ONE) "HEY, YOU CANDY-ASSED SON-OF-A-BITCH, I'M JUST LISTENING TO YOU ON WCCO RADIO, AND YOU FUCKHEAD, YOU'LL NEVER GET BACK TO MINNESOTA ALIVE YOU BASTARD." (MESSAGE TWO) "YOU LITTLE SON-OF-A-BITCH, I JUST HEARD YOU ON THE RADIO, THIS IS FEBRUARY 25TH AND I HEARD YOUR CANDY-ASSED, CREEPY LITTLE COMMENT ABOUT HOW YOU ARE GOING TO GET OUT OF THIS. YOU FUCKHEAD, YOU STAY IN WASHINGTON. IF YOU EVER GET BACK TO MINNESOTA, I'LL KILL YOU, YOU SON-OF-A-BITCH." (MESSAGE THREE) "I'M CALLING ABOUT AN HOUR AND ONE-HALF AFTER THE SCUD ATTACK ON THE U.S. BARRACKS AND MAYBE ABOUT A HALF HOUR AFTER YOUR STUPID COMMENTS ON WCCO RADIO, AND YOU LITTLE FUCKIN SON-OF-A-BITCH, IF YOU EVER GET BACK HERE, YOU'RE DEAD MEAT."

MS. [REDACTED] STATED SHE DID NOT RECOGNIZE THE VOICES BEING THAT OF A REGULAR CALLER.

MS. [REDACTED] PRESS SECRETARY IN THE SENATOR'S CAPITOL HILL OFFICE, ADVISED THAT SHE WAS PRESENT WITH THE

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SENATOR WHEN HE DID THE LIVE INTERVIEW ON WCCO RADIO. MS.

[REDACTED] STATED THAT THE SENATOR MADE A STATEMENT THAT MAY HAVE UPSET HIS CONSTITUENCY; HOWEVER, SHE CANNOT REMEMBER THE EXACT STATEMENT.

ON FEBRUARY 27, 1991, AT APPROXIMATELY 9:30 A.M., SA

[REDACTED] MINNEAPOLIS DIVISION, TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED

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SA [REDACTED] OF THE UNITED STATES SECRET SERVICE AT

MINNEAPOLIS OF THE INFORMATION CONCERNING THE ABOVE CAPTIONED THREATS.

MINNEAPOLIS IS CONTINUING ITS INVESTIGATION.

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U.S. Department of Justice

Federal Bureau of Investigation



In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

Suite 1100  
111 Washington Avenue South  
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55401  
March 4, 1991

Honorable Jerome Arnold  
United States Attorney  
234 Federal Building  
110 South Fourth Street  
Minneapolis, MN 55401

Attention: Mr. [redacted]  
Assistant U. S. Attorney

Dear Mr. [redacted]

This letter is to confirm the conversation held between  
Assistant U. S. Attorney (AUSA) [redacted], and  
Special Agent [redacted] on March 4, 1991. The facts were  
set forth as follows:

On February 25, 1991, Senator Paul Wellstone's office  
in Washington, D. C., received three threatening phone calls on  
their voice mail shortly after the Senator was interviewed on  
WCCO radio. The caller did not identify himself and the recorded  
voice of the caller was unfamiliar to office personnel. Based on  
the aforementioned facts, AUSA [redacted] declined prosecution.

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Sincerely yours,

JEFFREY J. JAMAR  
Special Agent in Charge

By: *CAP*

[redacted]  
Supervisory Special Agent

① - Addressee  
① - Minneapolis (89A-MP-32717)  
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Date 3/12/91

1 TO : DIRECTOR, FBI  
 2 (ATTENTION: VIOLENT CRIMES SECTION)  
 3 FROM : SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (89A-MP-32717) (C)  
 4 SUBJECT : UNSUB;  
 5 SENATOR PAUL WELLSTONE - VICTIM;  
 6 AFO  
 7 OO: MINNEAPOLIS

Re Minneapolis teletype to Bureau dated 2/27/91.

8 On 3/1/91 Assistant U. S. Attorney [redacted]  
 9 [redacted], was advised of the threats made against Senator  
 10 WELLSTONE and declined prosecution.

11 On 3/4/91 Detective [redacted] U. S.  
 12 CAPITOL POLICE, and [redacted] Senator WELLSTONE'S  
 13 Office Director in Minnesota, were advised of the declination.

Minneapolis considers this matter closed.

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On March 4, 1991, the writer, SA [redacted] received two cassette tapes regarding threats made against Senator [redacted]. The tape recordings were sent by Detective [redacted] United States Capitol Police, Washington, D.d C. Attached hereto is a letter from Detective [redacted]

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The tapes were reviewed and have been placed in 1A's in the file.

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UNITED STATES CAPITOL POLICE  
WASHINGTON, DC 20510-7218

February 27, 1991

S/A [REDACTED]  
683 Federal Building  
316 North Robert Street  
St. Paul. MN 55101b6  
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Dear S/A [REDACTED]

The inclosed is a copy of the message left on the Capitol's Office Voice Mail that we had discussed. Also enclosed is a copy of the Senator's interview on WCCO Radio.

If there are any questions, please do not hesitate to call on me at (202)-224-1495.

Sincerely

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
Detective [REDACTED]  
Special Investigations Division  
Threat Assessment Section

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent [redacted] on February 27, 1991, at St. Paul, Minnesota: b6  
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U.S. WEST COMMUNICATIONS SECURITY was contacted in regard to running a reverse trace on Senator WELLSTONE's phone line, 202-224-5641. U.S. WEST advised that due to the number of switching companies involved, it would not be possible to run a reverse trace on the line.

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(1) *[Signature]*

Detective  Attached hereto are copies of a facsimile provided by U.S. CAPITOL POLICE, Washington, D.C.

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UNITED STATES CAPITOL POLICE

Report of Investigation

Complainant: Senator Paul Wellstone (MN) Occurrence Date: 02/25/91

Case Type: Threat CPN: n/a CCN: n/a PSD: 91-T-0161

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN, SEX: Male.

On 02/26/91, Ms. [redacted] Receptionist in Senator Wellstone's Capitol Hill Office (SH-123, 4-5641), supplied the TAS with three recorded messages received on the Office "Voice Mail." The messages were received after 1800 hours, on 02/25/91, and were in reference to a radio interview aired on WCCO Radio in Minneapolis, MN at approximately 1940 hours EST. The unidentified male caller stated:

- 1) "Hey, you candy-assed son-of-a-bitch, I'm just listening to you on WCCO Radio, and you fuck-head you'll never get back to Minnesota alive you bastard."
2) "You little son-of-a-bitch I just heard you on the Radio, this is February 25th and I heard your candy-assed, creepy little comment about how your going to get out of this. You fuck-head, you stay in Washington, if you ever get back to Minnesota I'll kill you, you son-of-a-bitch!"
3) "I'm calling about an hour and a half after the scud attack on the U.S. barracks and maybe about a half an hour after your stupid comments on WCCO Radio, and you little fuck'n son-of-a-bitch, if you ever get back here you're dead meat!"

[redacted] stated that she did not recognize the voice as being that of a regular caller.

Ms. [redacted] Press Secretary in the Senator's Capitol Hill Office, advised Det. [redacted] that she was present with the Senator when he did the live interview on WCCO Radio. Ms. [redacted] stated that the Senator made one statement that may have upset his constituency; however, she could not remember the exact statement. Ms. [redacted] informed Det. [redacted] that she will either obtain a recorded copy of the Senator's interview or obtain the information from the Senator and forward it to Det. [redacted]

Det. [redacted] attempted to contact S/A [redacted] FBI, Minneapolis, MN Field Office concerning the threatening calls; however, S/A [redacted] will not return to duty until 02/27/91.

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Investigator: Det. [redacted] Date: 02/26/91

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Supervisor: Sgt. [redacted] Date: 02/26/91

[redacted] TAS



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Senator Wellstone

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